Allotment of flats in Trilokpuri, New Delhi

*337. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that about 100 flats out of 360 in 'B' block, Trilokpuri (Mayur Vihar), New Delhi, under the Self-Financing Scheme, have been earmarked for allotment to the unregistered employees of the Delhi Administration ; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps Government propose to take to protect the legitimate claims of registered allottees under the Self-Financing Schemes?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR) : (a) 100 flats out of 904 under construction at Trilok Puri have been earmarked for allotment to employees of Delhi Administration, none of whom is unregistered.

(b) Does not arise.

Hotel near I.G. Stadium, New Delhi

*338. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE :

SHRI LAL K. ADVANI :

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of money and time spent by the DDA in the construction of a hotel building near I.G. Stadium in Delhi so far and the date on which its construction had started ;

(b) the reasons for not taking any decision about its use and completion so far ; and

(c) the estimated losses due to (i) the delay in using the building and (ii) also by way of interest on the money invested ?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ABDUL GHAFOOR) : (a) and (b) The contract for the construction of the building was awarded in June, 1981, as 'Players Block' and the building was structurally completed in about two-and-a-half years. An amount of Rs. 5.76 crores has so far been spent on its construction. Its final completion will depend upon its usage.

It is now proposed to use the building for setting up a hospital. Delhi Administration has already invited offers for this purpose through public notice.

(c) C & AG has assessed an annual loss of about Rs. 64 lakhs mainly on account of loss of interest on blocked funds.

Drought-prone areas of South Bihar

*339. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA :

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the drought prone areas in South Bihar face the risk of turning into wastelands, if financial support is not given by the Central Government to various irrigation schemes in the region ;and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI G.S. DHILLON) : (a) and (b) In Bihar, a total number of 54 blocks in five districts, namely, Monghyr, Nawadah, Palamau, Rohtas and Santhal Parganas have been identified as chronically drought prone areas and have been covered under Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP). The objective of DPAP is restoration of ecological balance